

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA. In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. on **TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2009**, upon the application of **EL PASO E&P COMPANY, LP.**

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Hodge-Hunt Sand, the Bain Sand, Reservoir C, the Brown-Ozley Sand, the Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A, the Hosston B Zone, Reservoir B, and the Hosston C Zone, Reservoir A**, in the Bear Creek Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

LOWER HOSSTON A ZONE, RESERVOIR A AND HOSSTON C ZONE, RESERVOIR A

1. To create one (1) additional drilling and production unit each for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A and from the Hosston C Zone, Reservoir A.
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within each of the proposed additional units with each separate tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
3. To designate an operator of, and unit well for, each of the proposed additional units as may be appropriate.
4. To redefine the Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A, insofar and only insofar as to the proposed additional unit L HOSS A RA SUJ, as being that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the measured depths of 7,872' and 8,717' in the El Paso E&P Company, LP-JL Jordan No. 5 Well, located in Section 29, Township 17 North, Range 5 West.
5. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 78-AA, effective January 8, 1991, as supplemented and amended by the Order No. 78-AA Series of Orders, to the proposed additional unit for the Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A.
6. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the provisions of Order No. 78-Y, effective September 11, 1980, as supplemented and amended by the Order No. 78-Y Series of Orders, to the proposed additional unit for the Hosston C Zone, Reservoir A.

The Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A was defined in Order No. 78-AA, effective January 8, 1991.

The Hosston C Zone, Reservoir A was defined in Order No. 78-Y, effective September 11, 1980.

HODGE-HUNT SAND AND BROWN-OZLEY SAND

1. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize its Barnes 32 No. 1 Well as the substitute unit well for H-H SUD and as the substitute unit well for BR-OZ SUD, at the location shown on the plats submitted with the application, in exception to the spacing provisions of Order No. 78, effective February 9, 1944 and Order No. 78-D Series of Orders.
2. To find that a substitute unit well for H-H SUD and for BR-OZ SUD is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the Hodge-Hunt Sand underlying H-H SUD, and a portion of the Brown-Ozley Sand underlying BR-OZ SUD, which cannot be effectively and efficiently drain by existing wells within these units.

The Hodge-Hunt Sand was defined in Order No. 78, effective February 9, 1944, as the Hosston Formation (restricted) and was subsequently renamed the Hodge-Hunt Sand.

The Brown-Ozley Sand was defined in Order No. 78-D, effective February 20, 1952.

BAIN SAND, RESERVOIR C AND HOSSTON B ZONE, RESERVOIR B

1. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize its Barnes 32 No. 1 Well as an alternate unit well for BAIN RC SUD and as an additional alternate unit well for HOSS B RB SUA, at the location shown on the plats submitted with the application.
2. To find that an alternate unit well for BAIN RC SUD and an additional alternate unit well for HOSS B RB SUA is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the Bain Sand, Reservoir C, underlying BAIN RC SUD, and a portion of the Hosston B Zone, Reservoir B, underlying HOSS B RB SUA, which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing wells within these units.
3. To permit the operator of BAIN RC SUD and of HOSS B RB SUA, to produce the unit allowables from either the unit well, from any alternate unit well, or from a combination of such wells, at the option of the operator.

The Bain Sand, Reservoir C was initially defined in Order No. 78-J-2, effective October 3, 2000 and was further defined in Order No. 78-J-3, effective June 17, 2003.

The Hosston B Zone, Reservoir B was initially defined in Order No. 78-Q-10, effective December 9, 1986 and was redefined in Order No. 78-Q-22, effective March 28, 1990.

ALL INTERVALS

1. To approve the downhole combination of production from the Hodge-Hunt Sand underlying H-H SUD, from the Bain Sand, Reservoir C, underlying BAIN RC SUD, from the Brown-Ozley Sand underlying BR-OZ SUD, from the Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A, underlying L HOSS A RA SUJ, from the Hosston B Zone, Reservoir B underlying HOSS B RB SUA and from the Hosston C Zone, Reservoir A underlying HOSS C RA SUX, or from any combination thereof, in any well located on these units in which the ownership interests in the units from which production is combined downhole are identical.
2. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

Plats are available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Shreveport**, Louisiana.

www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm.

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

**JAMES H. WELSH
COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION**

Baton Rouge, LA

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ROUGE, LA 70804-9275 IN WRITING WITHIN TEN (10) WORKING DAYS
OF THE HEARING DATE.**